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Letter dated 27 May 1998 from the Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit copies of the following three resolutions adopted by the Azad Jammu and Kashmir Council on 21 March 1998:

(a) A resolution on the Jammu and Kashmir issue (see annex I);

(b) A resolution on Indian violations of the line of control in Jammu and Kashmir (see annex II);

(c) A resolution on Indian-sponsored terrorism in Pakistan (see annex III).

It is requested that the present letter and its annexes be circulated as official documents of the General Assembly, under items 10, 112, 113 and 157 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX I

Resolution on the Jammu and Kashmir issue

The Azad Jammu and Kashmir Council,

Recalling the relevant resolutions of the United Nations Security Council upholding the right to self-determination of the people of Jammu and Kashmir,

Recalling also the relevant resolutions of the Organization of the Islamic Conference on Jammu and Kashmir, in particular the Declaration of the Extraordinary Session of the Islamic Summit Conference held in Islamabad on 23 March 1997 and the Eighth Session of the Islamic Summit Conference held in Tehran from 9 to 11 December 1997,

Recalling further that the United Nations Security Council had declared that the creation of a Constituent Assembly or the holding of any elections in Jammu and Kashmir by the Indian Government cannot be a substitute for a free and impartial plebiscite mandated by the Security Council to determine the will of the people of Kashmir,

1. Strongly condemns the brutal use of force by the Indian armed forces in occupied Kashmir, which have claimed the lives of 60,000 Kashmiri men, women and children, the rape of thousands of women and the unlawful detention of tens of thousands of political prisoners and other tactics used by the Indian Government to suppress the indigenous struggle of the people of Jammu and Kashmir to secure their right to self-determination;

2. Also strongly condemns the inhuman crimes of genocide, massacres, extrajudicial and custodial killings, reprisal killings, arbitrary detention, torture, the use of rape as an instrument of suppression, the burning of houses, villages and townships, and the destruction and desecration of holy places committed by the Indian Government through its military and paramilitary personnel, renegades and mercenaries in occupied Kashmir during the past eight years;

3. Affirms that any political process or elections held under foreign occupation cannot be a substitute for the exercise of the right of self-determination by the people of Jammu and Kashmir as enshrined in the relevant resolutions of the Security Council;

4. Calls for the immediate holding of a plebiscite in Jammu and Kashmir in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the Security Council to enable the people to decide their future;

5. Calls upon India to withdraw its forces from Indian-held Kashmir and to put an immediate end to the massive violations of the human rights of the Kashmiri people;

6. Expresses support for the rejection by the All Parties Hurriyat Conference, the true representatives of the Kashmiri people, of the farcical political process and the puppet government installed in occupied Kashmir;

7. Pays homage to the thousands of Kashmiri martyrs who have laid down their lives for their just cause and expresses total solidarity with all Kashmiri families who have lost their loved ones in the cause of freedom;

8. Fully supports the efforts of the Government of Pakistan for a peaceful solution of the Jammu and Kashmir dispute based on the wishes of its people, through all possible means, including a substantive and meaningful dialogue with India;

9. Expresses its appreciation to Member States of the Organization of the Islamic Conference for their steadfast support for the just cause of the Kashmiri people.

ANNEX II

Resolution on violations of the line of control in Jammu and Kashmir

The Azad Jammu and Kashmir Council,

Deeply concerned at the alarming increase in the number of unprcvoked violations of the line of control by the Indian armed forces, which have become a regular feature along the line of control,

Conscious that unprovoked violations by Indian armed forces along the line of control further exacerbate tensions and instability in the region,

1. Strongly condemns the indiscriminate firing by the Indian army at the innocent civilian population residing inside Azad Jammu and Kashmir, which has resulted in a large number of civilian casualties;

2. Calls for an immediate end to violations of the line of control by Indian armed forces;

3. Calls upon India to allow the United Nations Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan to discharge its function of monitoring the line of control on both sides and in this regard urges the United Nations to increase the number of military observers deployed by the Observer Group;

4. Urges the international community, and in particular the United Nations, to persuade India to respect international commitments and to cease violations of the line of control forthwith;

5. Requests the Secretary-General of the United Nations to send a fact-finding mission to Azad Jammu and Kashmir to make an on-the-spot assessment of the losses caused by continuous violations of the line of control by the Indian armed forces.

ANNEX III

Resolution on Indian-sponsored terrorism in Pakistan

The Azad Jammu and Kashmir Council,

Recalling the recent spate of Indian-sponsored terrorist acts in Pakistan involving the bombings of a court in Sukkur and trains in Pattoki and Lahore,

Alarmed at the continuation of such terrorist activities by India against targets in Pakistan for the purpose of diverting the attention of the world from its repression in Kashmir as well as the attention of the Indian public from internal instability,

Reiterating the commitment to combat terrorism in all its forms and manifestations,

Also reiterating its call for observance of the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations and international norms proscribing international terrorism,

Affirming the determination to combat Indian subversion and terrorism directed against the sovereignty, territorial integrity, stability and security of Pakistan,

1. Strongly condemns Indian-sponsored terrorism in Pakistan, which has led to the tragic loss of innocent lives and damage to property;

2. Calls upon the world community of nations to condemn those terrorist acts;

3. Urges the Secretary-General of the United Nations and the permanent Members of the United Nations Security Council to prevail upon and persuade the Government of India to desist from spreading terrorism in Pakistan.